New National Highway in Madhya Pradesh

† 3483. SHRI BALK AVI BAIRAGI: Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) by when construction work of the new National Highways announced by Government a few months back is likely to commence;

(b) the major cities of Madhya Pradesh which are proposed to be linked with this new National Highway; and

(c) by when construction of the National Highway would be completed?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (MAJ. GEN. (RETD.) B. C. KHANDURI): (a) The development and maintenance of National Highways including the recently declared new National Highways is a continuous process and is taken up based on condition of National Highway, traffic needs, *inter-se* priority and overall availability of funds.

(b) The major cities railing on the newly declared National Highways in Madhya Pradesh are given.below:—

NH No.	Name of the road	Major cities Jabalpur-
12 A	Chilpi border	Jabalpur, Mandla
59 A	Indore-Betul	Indore, Khategaon, Harda, Betul
75-Extn	Rewa-Ranchi	Rewa, Gurh, Sidhi, Singrauli
86-Extn	Sagar-Dewas	Sagar, Gyaraspur, Vidisha, Raisen, Bhopal, Sehore, Ashtra, Sonkach, Dewas
92	Gwalior-Bhongaon	Gwalior, Mehgaon, Bhind

(c) As already indicated in part (a) above development of National Highways is a continous process.

Conversion of Dhodar Ali road into NH in North-Eastern Region

3484. SHRI DRUPAD BORGOHAIN: Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state whether Government propose to convert the historical Dhodar Ali Road connecting Golaghat, Jorhat, Sivasagar and Dibrugarh into a National Highway?

† Original notice of the Question was received in Hindi.

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (MAJ. GEN. (RETD.) B. C. KHANDURI): (a) At present, there is no proposal to declare Dhodar Ali Road as a National Highway. However. Golaghat, Jorhat, Sibsagar and Dibrugarh are already connected through National Highway Nos 39 and 37.

National Highways in Andhra Pradesh

3485. SHRI RAMA MUNI REDDY SIRIGIREDDY: Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of National Highways in Andhra Pradesh and the details of each highway;

(b) the number of projects undertaken by Government in the State under the Golden Quadrilateral Project and the details of such projects;

(c) whether any request has been received by Government from the State Government or construction of roads and bridges on National Highways 16 and 202; and

(d) if so, the action contemplated by Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (MAJ. GEN. (RETD.) B.C. KHANDURI): (a) There are 12 National Highways in Andhra pradesh with a total length of 4092 km. Details of each highway is given in the statement *(see* below).

(b) 22 projects have been undertaken upto 31.07.2001 in Andhra Pradesh under the Golden Quadrilateral Project at a cost of about Rs. 4187 crore covering a total length of about 858 km. from Tada to Ichchapuram on National Highway No. 5.

(c) and (d) Yes, Sir. Out of 14 Road and Bridge proposals received during 2001, 10 proposals have already been approved so far at a cost of Rs. 27.76 crore.

Statement

Details of 12 National Highways in Andhra Pradesh

S.No.	NH No.	Section	Length (km)
1	4	Chennai-Bangalore	84
2	5	Chennai-Vijayawada-Vishakhapatnam-Bhubaneshwar	1016
3	7	Nagpur-Hyderabad-Bangalore	773